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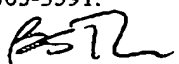
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Anderson et al.
Serial No. : 09/514,426 Art Unit: 3738
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For : A Valve Prothesis for Implantation in the Body and a Catheter for
Implanting Such Valve Prothesis

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claim 1, amend claims 2, 3, 5 and 8 and add new claims 13 and 14,
as follows:

2. The valve prosthesis according to claim ¹13, wherein the support means is
made of thread structure.

3. The valve prosthesis according to claim ²14, wherein the thread structure
comprises several spaced apices that extend from one end of the cylindrical support
means in direction along the longitudinal axis of the cylindrical support means, the
commissural points of the valve being attached to the apices.